

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application. Claims 1-30 are pending. Claims 1-20 are allowed. Claims 21-30 are added.

Applicant believes that newly added claims 21-30 are also patentable.

Applicant is submitting herewith an IDS including copies of previously submitted IDS's, which were considered in the parent App. No. 09/677,122. Applicant respectfully draws the Examiner's attention to page 4 of Form 1449A/PTO (Modified), Cite No. C01 and to the attached Examination Report of July 7, 2004 from a corresponding application pending in the United Kingdom. Other cite numbers correspond to the cite numbers used in the previously submitted IDS's.

Applicant respectfully submits the present application is in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Lawrence Mennemeier at (408) 765-2194.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN

Date: 11-30-2004



Lawrence M. Mennemeier

Reg. No. 51,003

12400 Wilshire Boulevard
Seventh Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90025-1026
(408) 720-8300

Application No.: 10/620,629

9

Docket No.: 42P8931C